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Subject: FILE NUMBER 105-3095

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Sincerely yours,



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TITLE OF CASE NATIONALIST PARTY, was		REPORT MADE BY <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; width: 150px;"></div>	TYPED BY rvm
		CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - X	

SYNOPSIS:

The Nationalist Party, headed by WEST HOOKER of Larchmont, NY, has a small membership of 15 to 20 individuals. Meetings were held on 3/24/56, at the Roger Smith Hotel, NYC, and on 4/22/56, at the Polish National Home in Elizabeth, New Jersey. HOOKER was the principal speaker at these meetings and allegedly advocated Fascism and anti-Semitism. HOOKER has attempted without success to take over the nationalist groups of "Common Sense", an anti-Semitic, nationalist newspaper in Union, New Jersey, and the National Renaissance Party, an anti-Semitic, neo-Nazi organization in NYC.

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*R/s to SA [redacted] he
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REPORT MADE AT NEWARK	DATE WHEN MADE AUG 3 1956	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 7/5, 6, 9, 24, 26, 27, 30/56	REPORT MADE BY <div></div>
TITLE NATIONALIST PARTY, was.			CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - X
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Informant advised that Nationalist Party held meeting at Polish National Home, Elizabeth, N.J., on 4/22/56. Secretary and Manager of Polish National Home, Elizabeth, N.J., stated that an un-named group headed by <div></div> , hired hall on 4/22/56, and that approximately thirty persons attended meeting. According to manager most of the individuals attending meeting came in New York licensed automobiles. Other than <div></div> no other members of group known. - RUC <u>DETAILS:</u> A. <u>MEETING OF NATIONALIST PARTY</u> On April 20, 1956, <div></div> who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that a meeting of the Nationalist Party was to be held in Elizabeth, N.J., and that WEST HOOKER had engaged <div></div> to organize a youth group in Elizabeth, N.J. CONFIDENTIAL			
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TITLE OF CASE CHANGED NATIONALIST PARTY, was: Nationalist Buyers Association		Report made by 9,10,13/56	Typed By: cxl
CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - X			

Synopsis:

The Nationalist Party presently maintains headquarters at 344 E. 83rd St., NYC, under the name Nationalist Buyers Association. WEST HOOKER continues to maintain leadership of the group, but has had little success in recruiting members or publicizing the activities of the Party. No public meetings have been held and no Party literature distributed during the period of this report. Background information regarding WEST HOOKER and other Party members set out. HOOKER's efforts to take over the National Renaissance Party continued to be unsuccessful.

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DETAILS:

The title of this report is changed to include additional alias of Nationalist Buyers Association, which is being utilized by the captioned organization according to Detective [redacted] New York City Police Department.

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TITLE OF CASE NATIONALIST PARTY, was		REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED]	TYPED BY mak
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SYNOPSIS:

Subject group continues to maintain headquarters at 344 East 83rd Street, NYC, under the name of Nationalist Buyers Association. Group has been inactive politically for several months and WEST HOOKER has allegedly left the organization. [REDACTED] Party member, arrested on [REDACTED] at City Island, NY, which case was later dismissed. Members of subject group planned to picket Israeli Consulate, NYC, on 9/23/56, but this did not materialize. [REDACTED] Party members, were arrested on [REDACTED] after a fight at Party Headquarters. WEST HOOKER presently resides at 1 Intervale Road, Greenwich, Connecticut. Background information re HOOKER and other members set out. No indication that subject group is cooperating with any other groups.

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TO : SAC, NEWARK (105-3095)

DATE: 11/7/56

FROM : ~~✕~~ SAC, NEW YORK (105-10615)SUBJECT: NATIONALIST PARTY, was.
IS-X

Re Newark report of SA [redacted] 8/3/56,
and Newark letter dated 10/3/56, entitled "NATIONALISTS, aka,
Nationalist Youth Organization; IS-C".

Newark is requested to reinterview [redacted]
[redacted] regarding his membership in
the subject organization and his plans to organize a group in
South River. Newark should consider interview of other persons
named by [redacted] as having attended Nationalist Party headquarters
in NYC if it is believed that they may have information regarding
this organization.

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SAC, NEWARK (105-3095)

NATIONALIST PARTY, was.
IS - X
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Re Newark letter dated October 3, 1956 entitled
"NATIONALISTS, aka., Nationalist Youth Organization - IS -C";
New York letter to Newark dated November 7, 1956.

On December 12, 1956 [redacted]
[redacted] advised SA [redacted]
[redacted] that [redacted] and [redacted] moved from
[redacted] sometime in October, 1956 and she did not know
their new address. [redacted] suggested that the proprietor
of the Colonial Bar and Grill, Main Street, South River, New
Jersey be contacted inasmuch as [redacted] had been em-
ployed there prior to moving.

The proprietor of the Colonial Bar and Grill was
contacted on the above date by SA [redacted] in
order to determine [redacted] whereabouts. It was not necessary
for the agent to identify himself. The proprietor stated that
[redacted] had gone to [redacted] with [redacted] and [redacted]
however, he expected that [redacted] would return right after
New Year's. He expected that when [redacted] did return, he
would come to the Colonial Bar and Grill.

On January 9, 1957 the proprietor was again question-
ed regarding [redacted] by SA [redacted] and he ad-
vised that [redacted] had not returned.

[redacted] South River Post Office, ad-
vised SA [redacted] on the above date that neither [redacted] nor
[redacted] had left forwarding addresses.
[redacted] stated that [redacted] was formerly employed by [redacted]
[redacted] Johnny's Car Stop, Eiker Avenue and Route 18,
E. Brunswick, New Jersey.

[redacted] South River Post Office,
reviewed the "Change of Address" cards on file, however, he
was unable to locate a change of address for either [redacted]
or [redacted]

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[redacted] was contacted on the above date by SA [redacted] and he advised that [redacted] is currently residing in [redacted] in care of [redacted] known as [redacted]. [redacted] advised that [redacted] had been employed by him for several months and during that period he formed the opinion that [redacted].

On one occasion, [redacted] attempted to sell [redacted] a 1955 Cadillac, which [redacted] admitted was stolen in New York. [redacted] advised that he informed the local New Jersey State Police trooper of [redacted] action and when it had been arranged for [redacted] to deliver the Cadillac, [redacted] said that the man who had stolen the car sold it to another individual in New York.

[redacted] stated that [redacted] was [redacted] from [redacted] and that he had returned to [redacted]. According to [redacted] no one expects [redacted] to return to [redacted] and that [redacted] moved to [redacted] on January 7, 1957.

Referenced Newark letter contains an interview with [redacted] who also admitted connections with the NATIONALIST PARTY. On January 9, 1957 SA [redacted] determined from the mail boxes at [redacted] that [redacted] continues to reside at this address. A lead to interview [redacted] is not being set out because of [redacted] characterization of [redacted] and the fact that [redacted] is not expected to return to this area. Should New York so desire, [redacted] will be reinterviewed regarding any current information he may have regarding plans to organize a NATIONALIST PARTY group in New Jersey.

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SAC, NEW YORK

10/3/56

SAC, NEWARK (100-0-R)

NATIONALISTS, aka.
Nationalist Youth Organization
IS - C

[redacted] The following information was obtained by SA [redacted]
during the course of a TPIS investigation:

On 9/1/56, [redacted]
[redacted] was interviewed regarding a TPIS matter. During
the course of the interview, he mentioned that he is a
member of the NATIONALISTS which he described as a pro-
segregation organization having offices on East 87th St.,
New York, N.Y. He said he contributes \$15.00 per month to
the organization and has frequented their New York Office
where reading material regarding segregation is maintained.
He said one WES HOOKER is in charge of the New York Office
of the NATIONALISTS.

[redacted] said the NATIONALISTS do not have a club in
the South River, N.J., area but that they are planning on
organizing one. He said the following persons from the South
River area have went to the NATIONALISTS headquarters in
N.Y. with him:

[redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted]

[redacted] said [redacted] is not a member of the NATIONALISTS.

On 9/17/56, [redacted]

(formerly resided [redacted])

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was interviewed regarding the TFIS matter (Newark file 15-6947.) He stated he has gone to the NATIONALIST YOUTH ORGANIZATION meeting room in N.Y., address unknown, with [] but is not a member of the group. He said the organization is against negroes and Jews and that his understanding of the organization's purpose is to "put the Jews and the Negroes in their place." He said the organization is against Jews because the Jews allegedly advocate intermarriage with Negroes. He said he has not contributed any funds to the organization and that he has stopped associating with []

[] Both [] and [] advised they were born in []

The foregoing is for the information of the New York Office.

Newark indices are negative on the captioned organization.

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SYNOPSIS:

✓ Subject group was evicted from its headquarters at 344 East 83rd Street, NYC, in November of 1956 for non-payment of rent. There is no indication that the Party will establish another headquarters as they reportedly have no funds and no new leader has taken the place of WEST HOOKER, who left the leadership of the Party. Party members, were arrested on November 29, 1956, which adjoined the Party headquarters. The subject group has been inactive politically for the past several months and has held no formal meetings or published any literature. Some members of the Nationalist Party allegedly have become active in the National Renaissance Party, an anti-semitic, anti-Negro, neo-fascist group in NYC.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (105-33261)

3/28/57

SAC, NEWARK (105-3095)

NATIONALIST PARTY, was.
IS - X

OO - New York

Re: SA [redacted] dated 1/23/57, New York,
and Newark letter to New York dated 1/11/57.

On 3/21/57 [redacted] Grand Hotel, South River,
N. J., was contacted by SA [redacted] re his
knowledge of [redacted] advised that [redacted]
is presently residing in a small town near [redacted]
He related that [redacted] departed South River, N. J., during
the latter part of 9/56.

[redacted] advised that [redacted] was a member of a racial
organization called the Nationalist Party in New York City,
which was reportedly against all Negroes and Jews. He stated
that during the summer months of 1956, [redacted] and three other
South River residents usually attended meetings of this
organization once a week in New York City and that on one
occasion during last summer the four men helped picket Jewish
retail stores in New York City.

[redacted] identified the three other South River residents
who belonged and attended meetings of the subject organization
as: [redacted] and [redacted]
related that although he associated with the above four men he
never belonged or attended any meetings of the captioned
organization and that his knowledge of its activities resulted
from conversations with [redacted]

On 3/21/57 Captain [redacted] South River, N. J.,
Police Department, contacted [redacted]
[redacted] who advised that [redacted]
[redacted] is presently residing with [redacted]

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The lead to interview [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] is being left to the discretion of the office of origin.

Newark indices reflect no information identifiable
with [REDACTED]

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